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1. The 13 Infantry Regiment was stationed in Kyustendil until 1947, when it was deactivated by transferring one of its battalions to 1 Infantry Regiment in Sofia, and another to 6 Infantry Regiment, at an unknown location. At this time, 1 Antiaircraft Regiment was transferred from Dupnitsa to Kyustendil to replace 13 Infantry Regiment.

2. As of May 1952, the following military forces attached to 1 Army, Sofia, were stationed in Kyustendil: 25X1

a. An unidentified infantry regiment, located approximately six kilometers west of Kyustendil, near Vratsa village (N 42-15 E 22-34); its equipment included 14.5 mm. PTRD-1941 antitank rifles, and Soviet rifles; also soldiers carrying 82 mm. BM-1937 mortars; 25X1

b. An unidentified tank regiment, quartered in barracks previously occupied by 13 Infantry Regiment and located in the western outskirts of Kyustendil, on the Kyustendil-Gyueshevo (N 42-14 E 22-28) road; the barracks covered a 500 by 300 meter area and included six 1-story buildings, 70 by 15 meters in size; approximately 47 T-34 tanks in this area; 25X1

c. An unidentified armored artillery regiment, located across the road from the tank regiment described in paragraph 2 b, in two 1-story buildings, 70 by 15 meters in size, formerly used by the Supply Section of 13 Infantry Regiment; this unit also occupied a 3-story building formerly used as a boys' school and located next to the barracks; the regiment is equipped with self-propelled artillery, the caliber and number of which were not known

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- d. An unidentified engineer battalion, quartered in the buildings formerly owned by a certain Shishkov and used as tobacco warehouses; these buildings are located in the western outskirts of Kyustendil, south of the Branshitsa River (sic) and opposite the Marek Spinning Mill; the battalion personnel were housed in a 3-story tobacco warehouse 45 by 15 meters in size; and
- e. An unidentified border battalion, the headquarters of which were located in an old warehouse of the Austrian "Rezhia" Tobacco Company, next to the DS (Dürzhavna Sigurnost; State Security) building, in the center of Kyustendil; the barracks, formerly used as the hospital of 13 Infantry Regiment, are located on the southwest side of Kyustendil, near the football field and the carpentry school; the front of the U-shaped building is 50 meters wide and the side wings are 30 by 10 meters in size; the battalion's armament included FPSH-1941 (Shpagin) submachine guns.

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